

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

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The President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On July 1, 2010, you signed the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (CISADA) into law. During the signing ceremony, you pledged "to make sure that these sanctions are vigorously enforced." We write respectfully to bring to your attention apparent violations of the CISADA in order to assist you in your enforcement efforts.

Although we are encouraged by recent reports of international companies voluntarily exiting the Iranian energy market, it appears that a number of firms -- such as Russia's LUKOIL -- continue to supply Tehran with refined petroleum products.

On August 11, Reuters reported that LUKOIL supplied 250,000 barrels of gasoline to Iran just within the last month. As part of the March 2010 investigation by the New York Times, a LUKOIL spokesman confirmed that the company supplies gasoline to Iran. Meanwhile, this company has a significant business presence in the United States, operating over 2,000 retail gasoline stations in 13 states. Furthermore, LUKOIL is listed by the Illinois State Board of Investment and Florida State Board of Administration as a "scrutinized company" with regard to its Iran investments.

Time is running out to prevent a nuclear-armed Iran. Despite your offer of engagement, Tehran remains undeterred in advancing its illicit nuclear program and exporting terrorism around the world. Sanctions represent the most viable diplomatic tool to pressure the Government of Iran to change course and meet its international obligations. Without rigorous enforcement, however, our efforts will be rendered from ineffective to inexcusable.

No company should be allowed to skirt the Iran Sanctions Act. Therefore, we ask you to enforce the law and hold companies like LUKOIL accountable without delay.

We look forward to your timely response.

Sincerely,



Mark Steven Kirk  
Member of Congress



Ron Klein  
Member of Congress